

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-9 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus comprising:
  - a converting circuit for executing nonlinear conversion for an input video signal to output a converted video signal;
  - a display brightness featured value detecting circuit for detecting a display brightness featured value indicating a brightness of a display screen ~~from the input signal~~;
  - an adjustment circuit ~~receiving an output of said converting circuit~~ for adjusting the ~~received~~ converted video signal on the basis of said display brightness featured value to output an adjusted video signal; and
  - a superimposing circuit for superimposing a signal for displaying textual information ~~to be superimposed~~ or a signal for displaying an icon ~~to be superimposed~~ on the ~~input video~~ signal to output a superimposed video signal,
  - ~~wherein said superimposing circuit is placed on a stage after said adjustment circuit and superimposes the signal for displaying textual information or the signal for displaying an icon on the signal adjusted by said adjustment circuit, and~~
  - ~~wherein said display brightness featured value detecting circuit is placed on a stage after said converting circuit and after said superimposing circuit, and~~
  - wherein said display brightness featured value detecting circuit detects ~~[[a]]~~ the display brightness featured value from the superimposed video signal output from said

superimposing circuit indicating brightness of the display screen in a state that the textual information or the icon is superimposed, and

wherein an image is displayed on the basis of ~~an output of~~ the superimposed video signal output from said superimposing circuit.

2. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in claim 1, wherein said adjustment circuit is an adjustment circuit for adjusting the ~~received~~ converted video signal on the basis of a plurality of display brightness featured values which are sequentially detected.

3. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in claim 1 or 2, wherein said adjustment circuit is also an adjustment circuit for adjusting ~~a received~~ the converted video signal on the basis of a brightness control value relating to an adjustment of image quality.

4. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is a sum or average value of display signals for a predetermined period.

5. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is the number of signals of the display signals for a predetermined period which have a greater value than a predetermined value.

6. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is a sum or average value of display signals for each color for a predetermined period.

7. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is a sum or average value of brightness components of display signals for a predetermined period.

8. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is a statistical value of display signals in a specific area of one display screen.

9. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein pixels of said video display apparatus are constructed of display elements arranged in matrix.

10. (Original) A video display apparatus as defined in claim 9, wherein said display elements are electro-emission elements, and said display brightness featured value detecting circuit generates said display brightness featured value on the basis of a value of emission current emitted from said electro-emission element.